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Medical Board Names Robinson Executive Director, Moore Medical Director

The Texas Medical Board announced Friday that Mari Robinson, J.D., will become Executive Director of the agency, effective March 1. Robinson has been serving as Interim Executive Director since October.

The board also named Alan T. Moore, M.D., as Medical Director of the agency, also effective March 1. Dr. Moore has been serving as Interim Medical Director since October. State law requires that, if the agency executive is a non-physician, a medical director be hired.

Robinson takes over the executive director position after the retirement of Donald W. Patrick, M.D., J.D., who served TMB as executive director from September 2001 through August 2008. Robinson began her career at TMB as a litigation attorney in 2001 and has served as Director of Enforcement since 2006. She received her B.A. in government (*cum laude*) from Angelo State University and her J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law.

Moore graduated with honors from U.T. Austin and received his medical degree from the University of Texas Southwestern Medical School and completed his anatomic and clinical pathology residency at Parkland Memorial Hospital in Dallas, where he served as chief resident during his fourth year. He also completed a hematopathology fellowship at Parkland. He is board certified in anatomic pathology, clinical pathology and hematopathology. He has practiced in Austin for more than 20 years.

“Since TMB’s executive director has traditionally been a physician, this dual role is new for Texas and is used by most other state medical boards to bring administrative, legal, and medical expertise into leadership roles. We are very satisfied with the talent and skill both Ms. Robinson and Dr. Moore bring to these positions and look forward to the work they will do to fulfill the board’s mission of public protection,” said Irvin Zeitler, D.O., board president.